

Application No.: 10/644,928  
Art Unit: 3617

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### IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

1 Claim 1. (*Currently Amended*) A flotation device for supporting a person in a body of water comprising:  
2 an enclosure of generally rectangular planar shape and having a density less than that of water, the  
3 enclosure comprising a plurality of elongated buoyant support members interconnected to define a front  
4 section, a rear section, and first and second opposite side sections, wherein the front, rear, and side  
5 sections define an internal space dimensioned and configured to surround a person;  
6 elbow-shaped connectors, T-shaped connectors, and saddle fittings respectively disposed between  
7 the plurality of elongated buoyant support members for interconnecting said members; and  
8 a plurality of flotation members, each flotation member having a density less than that of water and  
9 a generally elongated shape, the flotation members being fitted to the front, rear, and side sections of the  
10 enclosure.

1 Claim 2. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the plurality of flotation members each  
2 comprise an individual cylinder of flotation material with a hollow bore, for wrapping the cylinder around  
3 its buoyant support members.

1 Claim 3. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the plurality of flotation members are each  
2 made of urethane closed cell foam.

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1 Claim 4. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the plurality of buoyant support members each  
2 have a hollow bore at least partly filled with urethane closed cell foam.

1 Claim 5. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the plurality of buoyant support members each  
2 have a hollow bore filled with air.

1 Claim 6. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the plurality of buoyant support members are  
2 hollow PVC tubes at least partly filled with urethane closed cell foam.

1 Claim 7. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the plurality of buoyant support members are  
2 hollow PVC tubes filled with air.

1 Claim 8. (*Currently Amended*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein two oppositely disposed handles  
2 extend vertically from the side ~~members~~ sections, said handles being wrapped with hand-grips. [;]

3 Claim 9. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the front section is a removable crossbar  
4 secured to the opposing side sections, and disposed intermediate of said handles and the ends of the  
5 opposing side sections.

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1 Claim 10. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 1, wherein the front section is a stationary crossbar  
2 rigidly secured to the opposing side sections, and disposed intermediate of said handles and the ends of the  
3 opposing side sections.

Claim 11. (*Canceled*)

1 Claim 12. (*Currently Amended*) ~~The~~ A flotation device of claim 1, wherein for supporting a person in a  
2 body of water comprising:

3 an enclosure of generally rectangular planar shape and having a density less than that of water, the  
4 enclosure comprising a plurality of elongated buoyant support members interconnected to define a front  
5 section, a rear section, and first and second opposite side sections, wherein the front, rear, and side  
6 sections define an internal space dimensioned and configured to surround a person;

7 a plurality of flotation members, each flotation member having a density less than that of water and  
8 a generally elongated shape, the flotation members being fitted to the front, rear, and side sections of the  
9 enclosure; and

10 an elongate member ~~extends~~ extending perpendicularly from the rear section of said enclosure and  
11 generally planar to said enclosure, said elongate member fitted with a flotation member.

Claim 13. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 12, wherein said elongate member is PVC tubing.

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1 Claim 14. (*Currently Amended*) A flotation device for supporting a person in a body of water comprising:  
2 an enclosure of generally rectangular planar shape and a density less than that of water, the  
3 enclosure comprising a plurality of PVC tube members interconnected to form a front section, a rear  
4 section, and first and second opposite side sections, wherein the front, rear, and side sections define an  
5 internal space adapted to surround a person; ~~and~~  
6 a plurality of flotation members, each flotation member having a density less than that of water, a  
7 generally elongated shape, the flotation members fitted to the front, rear, and side sections of the enclosure;  
8 and  
9 an elongate member extending perpendicularly from the rear section of said enclosure and generally  
10 planar to said enclosure, said elongate member fitted with a flotation member.

1 Claim 15. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 14, wherein two oppositely disposed handles extend  
2 vertically from the side ~~members~~ sections, said handles being wrapped with hand-grips. [[;]]

1 Claim 16. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 14, wherein the front section is a removable crossbar  
2 secured to the opposing side sections, and disposed intermediate of said handles and the ends of the  
3 opposing side sections.

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1 Claim 17. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 14, wherein the front section is a stationary crossbar  
2 rigidly secured to the opposing side sections, and disposed intermediate of said handles and the ends of the  
3 opposing side sections.

1 Claim 18. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 14, wherein the plurality of flotation members are made  
2 of urethane closed cell foam.

1 Claim 19. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 14, wherein the plurality of PVC tube members each  
2 have a hollow bore at least partly filled with urethane closed cell foam.

1 Claim 20. (*Original*) The flotation device of claim 14, wherein the plurality of PVC tube members each  
2 have a hollow bore filled with air.